

Portland Oct. 25. 1834.

Dear Wife I was exceedingly glad to hear from you, although the latter part of your letter contained the trying intelligence of your sickness. I hope & pray its duration may be short & issue in a state of more confirmed health than you have before enjoyed. It may be only the legitimate result of your new mode of living, & be therefore only the ~~procession~~^{action} of nature restoring herself to a state of greater & more healthy action. So at least I hope & pray. But to say the truth, I want to be with you. I dont care so much about it when I can feel that you are well, but when I think of you as sick, I — want to be at home. However God knows best, & there I leave all my interests.

Your letter was written of course before the reception of the one, I

sent you from Hallowell. Everything went off well at Conven-
-tion. Thence Dr. Thompson went Waterville & lectured to great
acceptance. Thence we all went to Brunswick & there spent
the Sabbath & had some most delightful meetings both in
the village & among the Students. Mr & Mrs S. sent their
love to you - also Mrs Leach & daughter.

From Brunswick we came here, & are in Mrs
Winslow's family, had a grand abolition meeting in the
Friends Meeting house last evening - jammed full & more
too. Drs. Adams of Brunswick, who by the way was among
the Moderates, & has broken caste & come over to us head-
& hand, & who came to Portland on purpose to help us, talk
with Cummings &c, made an address, & was followed by
myself, Grosvenor, & Thompson. The meeting rose in interest
to the end & made a deep & happy impression. This afternoon

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at 3. we have a meeting for the ladies, this evening a business meeting of the members of the several Anti-Sla. Societies, to-morrow another public meeting & so on until we have broken the crust of negro hatred in which the hearts of the mass of the people here, as elsewhere, are encased, as in a rock of adamant.

I shall, if possible get home as early as the first of December at the farthest. Sooner should your health demand it. You will of course write me freely & fully on this point. Our plan now is to cover the country as extensively as possible with organizations auxiliary to the State Society.

And so Em. is going to be married; & Eliz. too!!—

Well so the girls go that don't want to be married - would it be if they could - would 'nt give a snap of the finger to be &c &c. It reminds me somehow of the contented, well treated slaves that wouldn't take their freedom if you w^d give it to them & yet run away, at the peril of their lives, the first chance they can get!! Well, my love to them & just say I think their practice better than ^{their} theory.

Remember me to all friends - especially that dear little boy. I send this in the bundle by Mr Bacon. I shall write mother soon. The Ex. Committee suggest that I had better go to N. Hampshire next. I have written them in relation to the matter & unless some tiny special demand it, shall not go. At any rate I shall spend some three or four weeks with you before I start again, attending to arranging my own concerns. How should ^{you} like a voyage with me to St. Domingo this winter? Our cause was never more prosperous in this region than now. Write me often & believe me as ever your

Affect^e husband
Amos A. Phelps

Ch. A. Phelps
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Mrs Charlotte Phelps
Wrentham
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